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The present invention relates to novel cosmetic compositions comprising, in a
cosmetically acceptable medium, at least one cationic conditioner and at least one
amphoteric starch.

It is well known that hair that has been sensitized (i.e. damaged and/or embrittled) to
5 varying degrees under the action of atmospheric agents or under the action of mechanical
or chemical treatments, such as dyes, bleaches and/or permanent-waving, can be difficult
to disentangle and to style, and may lack softness.

It has already been recommended to use conditioners, for example, cationic
polymers or silicones, in compositions for washing or caring for keratin materials such as
10 the hair, in order to facilitate the disentangling of the hair and to give it softness and
suppleness. However, the cosmetic advantages mentioned above can be accompanied, on
dried hair, by certain cosmetic effects considered undesirable, i.e., lankness of the hairstyle
(lack of lightness of the hair), and lack of smoothness (hair not uniform from the root to the
end).

15 In addition, the use of cationic polymers for this purpose may have various
drawbacks. On account of their high affinity for the hair, some of these polymers can
become deposited thereon to a large extent during repeated use, and may lead to adverse
effects such as an unpleasant, laden feel, stiffening of the hair and interfiber adhesion
which may effect styling. These drawbacks may be more accentuated in the case of fine
20 hair, which lacks liveliness and body.

In summary, it is found that the current cosmetic compositions containing
conditioners are not always entirely satisfactory.